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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Martha E. Dille-Lynch, M.S., L.P. P.O. Box 1992 Burnsville, MN 55337

Re: In the Matter of Martha E. Dille-Lynch, M.S., L.P.

License No. LP3470

Dear Ms. Dille-Lynch:

Enclosed and served upon you by United States mail is a copy of the fully executed Stipulation to Cease Practicing Psychology in the above matter.

Sincerely,

HANS A. ANDERSON Assistant Attorney General

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Attorney for the Board of Psychology Complaint Resolution Committee

Enclosure

Minnesota Board of Psychology Complaint Resolution Committee

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

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STATE OF MINNESOTA) ss. COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

DONNA ACKERMAN, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That at the City of St. Paul, County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, on the 8th day of May 2015, she served the fully executed **STIPULATION TO CEASE PRACTICING PSYCHOLOGY**, by depositing the same in the United States mail at said city and state, a true and correct copy thereof, properly enveloped with prepaid first-class postage, and addressed as follows:

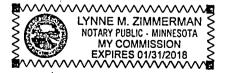
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DONNA ACKERMAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 8th day of May 2015.

NOTARY PUBLIC



BEFORE THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

In the Matter of Martha E. Dille-Lynch, M.S., L.P. License No. LP3470 STIPULATION TO CEASE PRACTICING PSYCHOLOGY

The Minnesota Board of Psychology ("Board") received information alleging that Martha E. Dille-Lynch, M.S., L.P. ("Licensee") has engaged in conduct that may violate the Board's Practice Act, contained in Minnesota Statutes sections 148.88 to 148.98.

IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between Licensee and the Board that:

- 1. At all times mentioned in this *Stipulation*, Licensee has been and is now subject to the jurisdiction of the Board, from which Licensee holds a license to practice psychology.
- 2. The Board has received information that Licensee is currently unable to practice psychology with reasonable skill and safety to clients due to a mental or physical illness or condition.
- 3. Licensee shall **CEASE AND DESIST** from practicing psychology and from providing any psychology services in any manner in the State of Minnesota in any position for which licensure is required by law and shall cease and desist from the use of any title or description of services incorporating the words "psychology," "psychological," "psychological practitioner," or psychologist," or any other designation that implies that Licensee is eligible to practice psychology in the State of Minnesota until this *Stipulation* is modified to permit Licensee to do so or is rescinded.
 - 4. This *Stipulation* is not disciplinary action.
- 5. This *Stipulation* shall be in effect until (1) the Board issues a final order after a contested case proceeding held pursuant to Minnesota Chapter 14, (2) the Board adopts a final stipulation between the parties, or (3) the Board dismisses the proceedings against Licensee or determines that action is not warranted. Notwithstanding, Licensee may petition the Board for removal of this *Stipulation* after twelve months from the date this *Stipulation* is executed, upon

proof that Licensee is able to practice psychology with reasonable safety and skill in full compliance with the Practice Act with or without conditions, limitations, and restrictions on Licensee's practice. Within 30 days prior to her petition, Licensee must undergo an evaluation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 148.941 subdivision 8, the results of which will be used to determine whether Licensee is able to practice psychology with reasonable skill and safety. The Board will designate the evaluator. The Board will be responsible for the full cost of the evaluation. Licensee will be responsible for the full cost of complying with any and all recommendations of the evaluation. In addition, as part of the petition process, Licensee must meet with the Board's Complaint Resolution Committee ("CRC").

- 6. Licensee's noncompliance with or violation of this *Stipulation* shall be considered a violation of Minnesota Statutes sections 148.941, subdivision 2(9); subdivision 6; and 148.96, subdivision 3 and shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action against Licensee's license.
- 7. Licensee agrees that should she violate the terms of this *Stipulation*, the following actions may be taken by the Board:
- a. The Board may refer any alleged violation to the Office of Administrative Hearings under Minnesota Statutes section 14 and Minnesota Rules parts 1400.5100 through 1400.8400.
- that the issue before the administrative law judge may, at the option of the Board, be limited as to whether the noncompliance or a violation did in fact occur and whether there was reasonable or sufficient cause to excuse or explain the violation. If the administrative law judge finds that there has been a violation and there is not reasonable or sufficient cause to excuse or explain the violation, the administrative law judge may make a recommendation to the Board that it take disciplinary action against Licensee.
- 2) Licensee agrees that if the Board receives findings from the administrative law judge that there has been a violation of this *Stipulation*, the Board may order disciplinary action against Licensee's license. Licensee also agrees that disciplinary action may

include the revocation or suspension of Licensee's license or a lesser action or remedy as the Board deems appropriate.

- e. The matter may also be brought directly to the Board pursuant to the following procedure:
- The Committee shall schedule a hearing before the Board. At least 20 days before the hearing, the Committee shall mail Licensee a notice of the violation(s) alleged by the Committee. In addition, the notice shall designate the time and place of the hearing. Within ten days after the notice is mailed, Licensee shall submit a written response to the allegations. If Licensee does not submit a timely response to the Board, the allegations may be deemed admitted.
- 2) The Committee, in its discretion, may schedule a conference with Licensee prior to the hearing before the Board to discuss the allegations and to attempt to resolve the allegations through agreement.
- and this Stipulation and Consent Order. The Committee shall have the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that a violation has occurred. If Licensee has failed to submit a timely response to the allegations, Licensee may not contest the allegations, but may present argument concerning the appropriateness of additional discipline. Licensee waives a hearing before an administrative law judge, discovery, cross-examination of adverse witnesses, and other procedures governing hearings pursuant to Minnesota Statutes chapter 14.

- 4) Licensee's correction of a violation before the conference, hearing, or meeting of the Board may be taken into account by the Board but shall not limit the Board's authority to impose discipline for the violation. A decision by the Committee not to seek discipline when it first learns of a violation shall not waive the Committee's right to later seek discipline for that violation, either alone or in combination with other violations.
- 5) Following the hearing, the Board will deliberate confidentially. If the allegations are not proved, the Board shall dismiss the allegations. If a violation is proved, the Board may impose discipline, including conditions or limitations on Licensee's practice, a period of suspension, conditions of reinstatement, or revocation of Licensee's license.
- d. Upon application of the Board, any appropriate court may enter a decree enforcing the terms of this *Stipulation*, prohibiting Licensee's practice of psychology, and prohibiting Licensee's use of any title or description of services incorporating the words "psychology," "psychological," "psychological practitioner," or psychologist," or any other designation that implies that Licensee is eligible to engage in the practice of psychology in Minnesota until and unless the conditions of this *Stipulation* are fulfilled.
- 7. Licensee may, at any time, enter into a stipulation with the Board authorizing the Board to issue an order revoking, suspending, terminating, or otherwise disciplining Licensee's license or accepting the voluntary surrender of Licensee's license.
- 8. This *Stipulation* shall be classified as public data for purposes of Minnesota Statutes sections 13.02, subdivision 15 and 13.41, subdivision 5, is not disciplinary action, and will be reported to federal and other databanks as required by law.
- 9. Licensee acknowledges that she has been advised of her right to legal counsel, that Licensee has read and fully understands the conditions and terms of this *Stipulation*, and that Licensee signed the *Stipulation* freely and voluntarily.

11. This *Stipulation* is the entire agreement between the Board and Licensee. There is no agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, that varies the conditions and terms of this *Stipulation*.

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MARTHA E. DILLE-LYNCH, M.S., L.P. Licensee	AXOELINA M. BARNES ESQ. Executive Director	
Dated $\frac{4/16}{}$, 2015	Dated May 8th , 2015	